

EECS 280 – Lecture 13

Memory Models and Dynamic Memory

Recall: Compound Object Lifetimes

- Constructors are called whenever a class object is created for the first time.

```
Bird(const string &name_in)
: name(name_in) {
cout << "Bird ctor: " << name << endl;
}
```

- Constructors are called whenever a class object's lifetime ends (depends on storage duration).

e.g. for local variables, when they go out of scope.

```
Bird() {
cout << "Bird dtor: " << name << endl;
}
```

Example: Local Object Lifetimes

```
Bird::Bird(int ID)
: ID(ID) {
cout << "Bird ctor: " << ID << endl;
}

~Bird() {
cout << "Bird dtor: " << ID << endl;
}

Bird b_global();
int main() {
// 如果我们只是想让 b2
// 活着，那么我们应该
// 在 for loop 中调用
// b2.talk();
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
Bird b2(i);
b2.talk();
}
// b1.talk();
// Bird b3(3);
// b3.talk();
}
// there will not have a constructor in the output, since we only
// create a pointer points to a class, but not creat a new class
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```

① constructor 是何时被 call?

② destructor 是何时被 call?

① global variable 的 ctor 和 dtor
② local variable 的 ctor 和 dtor
③ 在 for loop 中的 local variable 的 ctor 和 dtor

Recall: C++ Memory Model

- An **object** is a piece of data in memory.
- An object lives at an **address** in memory.
- You can use an object during its **lifetime**.
- Lifetimes are managed according to **storage duration**. Three options in C++:

Managed by the compiler.
Managed by you

Static Lives for the whole program.

Automatic (Local) Lives during the execution of its local block.

Dynamic You control the lifetime!

Automatic Storage (Local Variables)

just like the example before, if you create a local variable in a function, it's stored in the stack. A local variable lives inside a block. A block is a set of curly braces. Usually a function or loop body, but you can also make just a plain block. Initialized when the declaration is run. Dies when the block is finished. Scope usually keeps us from using a dead local.

Managed by the compiler.

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Factory Pattern

- Dynamic memory is necessary when you don't know what you want until runtime.
- Example: **Factory Pattern**
- Can create whatever subtype on the fly.
- The object is passed between scopes.

```
Bird * Bird_factory(const string & color, const string & name) {
    if (color == "blue") {
        return new BlueBird(name);
    } else if (color == "black") {
        return new Raven(name);
    }
}
```

①当 subtype polymorphism 时,直到 runtime, 我们才知道哪种 type.

Play dynamic memory
在这种情况下重要

- Dynamic memory error:
 - ① Memory leak
 - ② Orphaned memory
 - ③ Double delete
 - ④ Bad delete
- Dangling pointer: 一个 pointer 指向 heap 中的一个 object, 通过 pointer delete 掉这个 object 之后, 该 pointer 变成 dangling pointer, 我们仍然可以用这个 pointer 指向其他 heap 中的 object, 但是我们不能解引用已经被 delete 的地址上的 data.
- /* delete nullptr; nothing will happen */

6. Factory pattern: 当你在 compile time 时不知道具体数据类型, 必须等到 run time 时, Dynamic memory 就很重要

- Dynamic array:
 - ① 不需要 fixed capacity: 在 running time 时接收 capacity.
 - ② 仍然可以使用[]来访问 array 中的 element.
 - ③ 初始化方法: int *arrPtr = new int[howMany]; 从 heap 中传输出来的是 array 的第一个 element 的 address.

④ Delete: 在删除时, 为了和删除普通的 int 进行区分 → delete [] arrPtr;

Dynamic Arrays

if you use the stack space, the size of the array must be known at the run time, which means, you can never use 'cin' to control the size of the array in the running time.

The size of a statically allocated array must be known at compile time.
The size of a dynamically allocated array may be determined at runtime.

```
int main() {
    cout << "How many elements? ";
    int howMany;
    cin >> howMany;
    int *arrPtr = new int[howMany];
}
```

①如何通过 dynamic memory 可以在 compile time 进行修改的特点, 使 set 的 capacity 变得 flexible.

Using Dynamic Arrays

- The result of a new expression that creates a dynamic array is a pointer to the first element.
- You can still use the [] operator to access elements!

```
int main() {
    cout << "How many elements? ";
    int howMany;
    cin >> howMany;
    int *arrPtr = new int[howMany];
    for (int i = 0; i < howMany; i++) {
        arrPtr[i] = 42; // set each element to 42
    }
}
```

but we need to think about one question: how to delete this array?

Dynamic Arrays and delete[]

- Problem: The runtime environment is not able to distinguish between...
 - An int* pointing to a single int on the heap.
 - An int* pointing to the first element of a dynamic array on the heap.
- Solution: Use a special delete[] syntax for arrays.

```
int main() {
    ...
    int *ptr1 = new int(42);
    int *ptr2 = new int[howMany];
    delete ptr1; delete one single int element
    delete[] ptr2; delete the whole array
}
```

Growable Containers

- We'll see this next time – the basic idea is to dynamically allocate more space when you need it!

when the vector add more and more data and need bigger space in the heap, the vector will find a new bigger space and copy and past the old data.

Chapter 13 memory models and dynamic memory

1. 三种 storage duration

- ① Static(global):
 - Control by compiler
 - Live for the whole program

- ② Automatic(local):
 - Control by the compiler
 - Live inside a block (curly braces)

- ③ Dynamic:
 - Control by user

2. Memory address 的划分

- ① Stack:
 - Automatic storage
 - Grow down

- ② The Void:
 - Free space

- ③ Heap:
 - Dynamic storage
 - Grow up

- ④ Global:
 - Static storage
 - Fixed size

- ⑤ Text:
 - Machine code for your program

3. Dynamic memory (heap)

- ① Create → new

Eg: int *ptr = new int(3);

- ② Delete → delete

Delete ptr;

我们顺着 pointer 剥除了 heap 地址上的 data, 至于 pointer, 我们可以让其等于 nullptr 或者让其 out of scope 被自动 delete.

- ③ 跟踪 heap 中数据的方法: we keep track of it using a pointer that hold its address.

4. 造成 memory leak 的原因

- ① Orphaned memory: you lose the address of the object in the heap.